## October 2018 Ranking of Ohio County Unemployment Rates

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Among the state's 88 counties, preliminary October 2018 unemployment rates ranged from a low of 2.7 percent in Mercer County to a high of 6.5 percent in Adams County. From September, unemployment rates increased in 84 counties, decreased in one county, and did not change in three counties. The comparable unemployment rate for Ohio was 4.3 percent in October. (See table on next page.)

Two counties had unemployment rates at or below 3.0 percent in October. The county with the lowest rate, other than Mercer was: Putnam, 3.0 percent.

Five counties had unemployment rates at or above 6.0 percent in October. The counties with the highest rates, other than Adams were: Monroe, 6.3 percent; Scioto, 6.1 percent; and Pike and Trumbull, 6.0 percent.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These estimates, prepared in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, are based on 2017 benchmark and geared to county of residence. Unemployment rates for all Ohio counties as well as cities with populations of 50,000 or more are presented in the monthly ODJFS *Civilian Labor Force Estimates* publication. For updated statewide historical data, visit http://ohiolmi.com/asp/laus/vbLaus.htm, or contact the Bureau of Labor Market Information at (614) 752-9494.

November 2018 unemployment rates and nonagricultural wage and salary data for Ohio will be released by ODJFS on Friday, December 21, 2018. Unemployment rates for counties, cities, and metropolitan areas will be available on Friday, December 28, 2018. This information and the monthly statistical summaries they are based on are available at http://ohiolmi.com/laus/releases.htm.

## Ranking Report Ohio Unemployment Rates by County October 2018

		Unemployment	er 2018		Unemployment
Rank <sup>a</sup>	County	Rate	Rank <sup>a</sup>	County	Rate
1	Adams County	6.5	45	Hocking County	4.2
2	Monroe County	6.3	46	Ross County	4.2
3	Scioto County	6.1	47	Tuscarawas County	4.2
4	Trumbull County	6.0	48	Defiance County	4.1
5	Pike County	6.0	49	Portage County	4.1
6	Meigs County	5.9	50	Knox County	4.1
7	Jackson County	5.9	51	Hamilton County	4.1
8	Jefferson County	5.8	52	Paulding County	4.1
9	Mahoning County	5.7	53	Sandusky County	4.0
10	Lawrence County	5.3	54	Ashland County	4.0
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11	Coshocton County	:	55	Butler County	
12	Noble County	5.3	56	Seneca County	4.0
13	Washington County	5.2	57	Lake County	3.9
14	Vinton County	5.1	58	Greene County	3.9
15	Highland County	5.1	59	Henry County	3.9
16	Clinton County	5.1	60	Clermont County	3.9
17	Lucas County	5.1	61	Fayette County	3.9
18	Gallia County	5.0	62	Pickaway County	3.9
19	Erie County	5.0	63	Wood County	3.9
20	Athens County	5.0	64	Fairfield County	3.8
21	Brown County	4.9	65	Licking County	3.8
22	Harrison County	4.9	66	Warren County	3.8
23	Belmont County	4.9	67	Fulton County	3.8
24	Crawford County	4.8	68	Franklin County	3.8
25	Perry County	4.8	69	Madison County	3.8
26	Carroll County	4.8	70	Preble County	3.8
27	Columbiana County	4.8	71	Darke County	3.7
28	Ottawa County	4.8	72	Miami County	3.7
29	Ashtabula County	4.8	73	Medina County	3.7
30	Cuyahoga County	4.7	74	Geauga County	3.7
31	Huron County	4.7	75	Champaign County	3.7
32	Lorain County	4.7	76	Logan County	3.6
33	Guernsey County	4.6	77	Shelby County	3.6
34	Muskingum County	4.6	78	Wayne County	3.5
35	Stark County	4.6	79	Williams County	3.5
36	Morgan County	4.6	80	Van Wert County	3.4
37	Richland County	4.5	81	Union County	3.4
38	Marion County	4.4	82	Hancock County	3.4
39	Montgomery County	4.4	83	Delaware County	3.3
40	Clark County	4.4	84	Auglaize County	3.2
41	Summit County	4.4	85	Holmes County	3.2
42	Morrow County	4.3	86	Wyandot County	3.1
43	Allen County	4.2	87	Putnam County	3.0
44	Hardin County	4.2	88	Mercer County	2.7

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Rankings are based upon unrounded unemployment rates.